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Integrating Research into Today's Wind Industry

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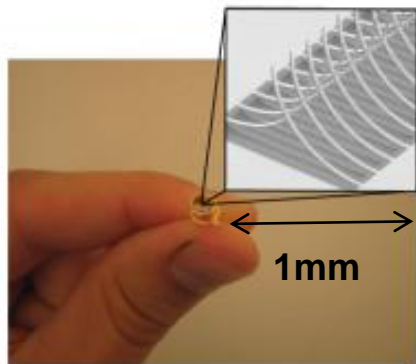
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Our Research Vision

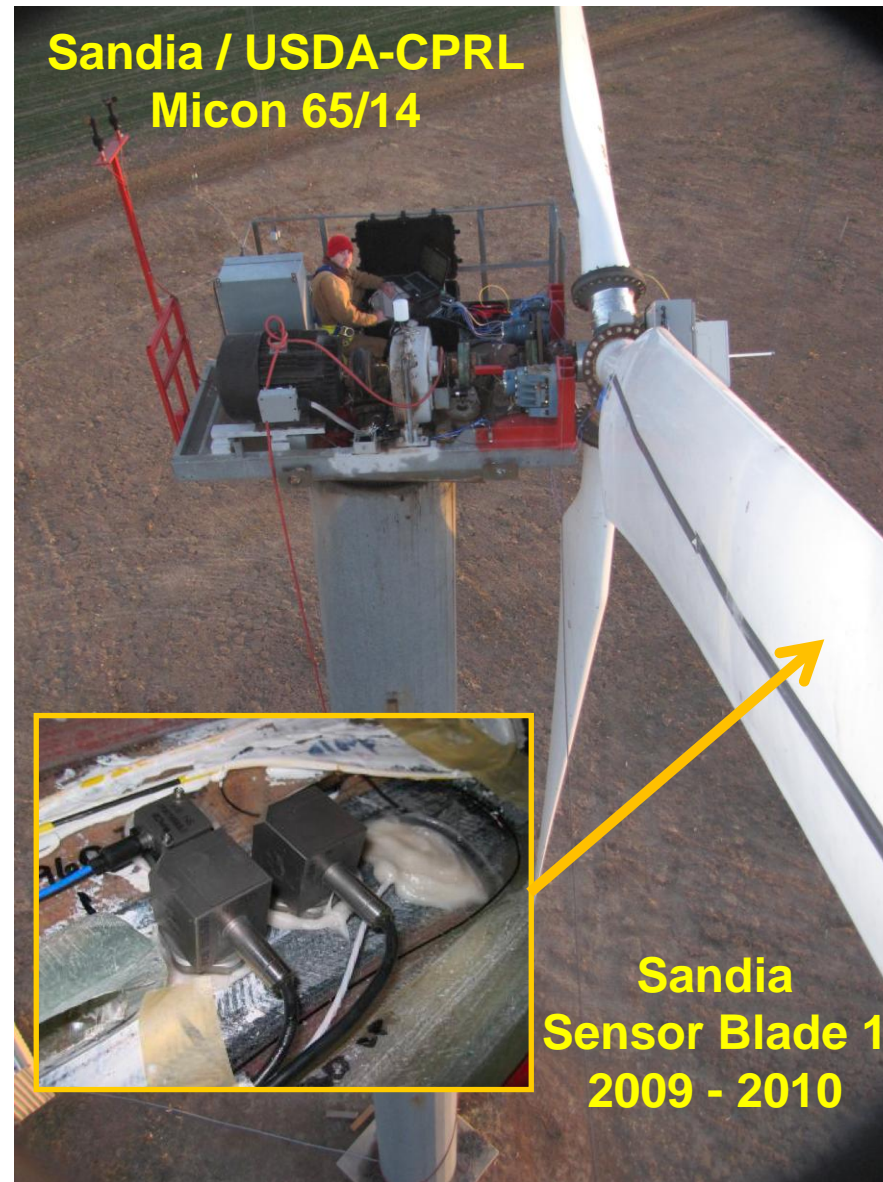
Smart Wind Turbines & Farms

that can sense, predict, and control their own performance & reliability



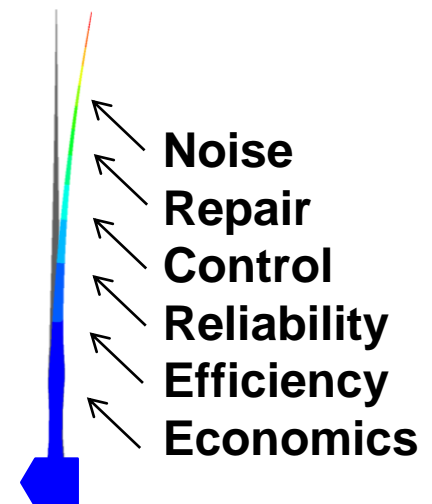
**MEMS
bimorph**

temperature sensor



Simulation Based Models

that can help engineers and owners optimize wind turbines and wind farms



Our People

Rotors/fluid-structure



Economics/policy



Reliability/ maintenance



Sensing



Dynamics & control



Power electronics



Noise



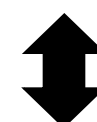
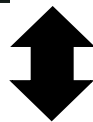
Climatology



Composite materials



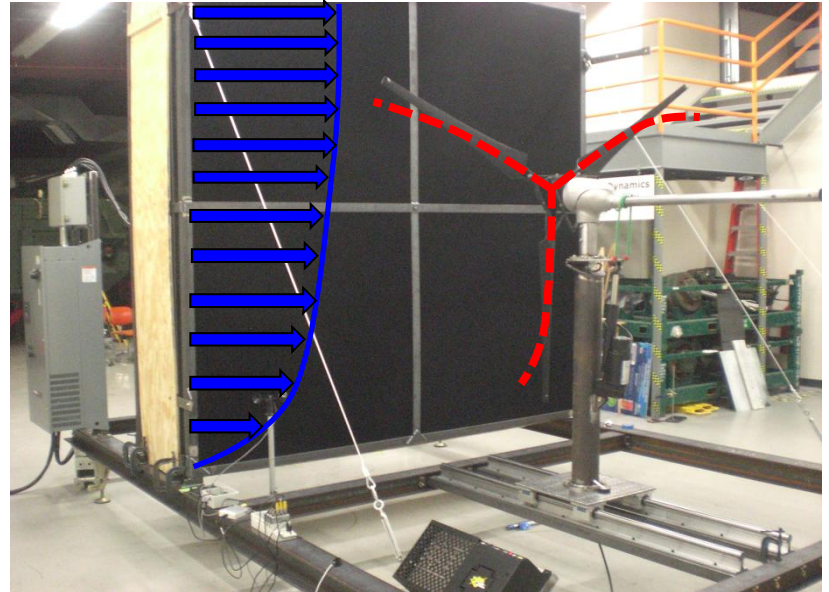
Alternative drive trains



Research Facilities



Anechoic Wind Tunnel



HAWT Dynamics & Controls Testbed

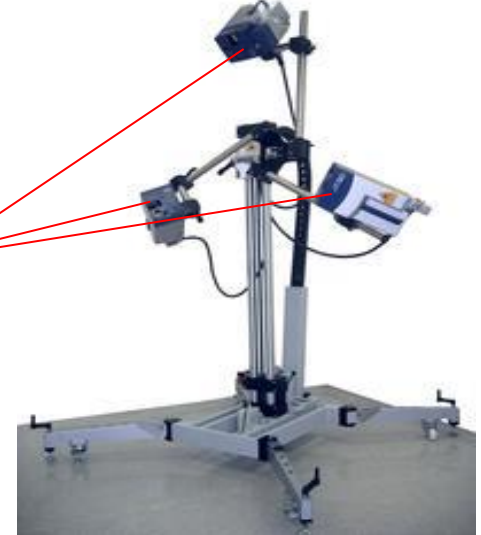
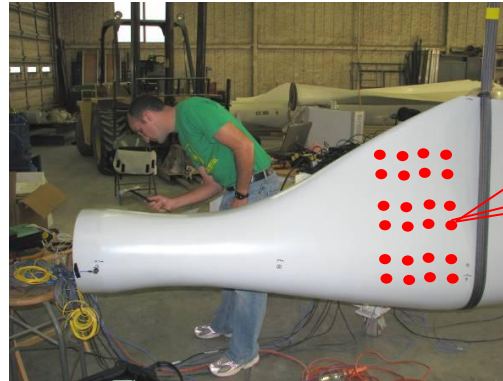


Reconfigurable Micro Wind Farm (see poster in Exposition)

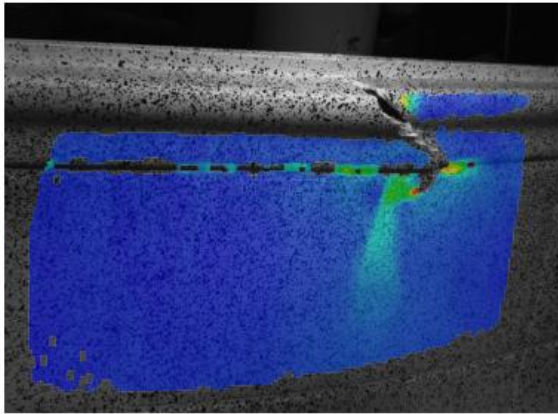
Research Facilities



**Turbine blade test facility
(under development)**



Polytec 3D Laser Velocimetry System



**Trillion ARAMIS 3D
Digital Image Correlation System**

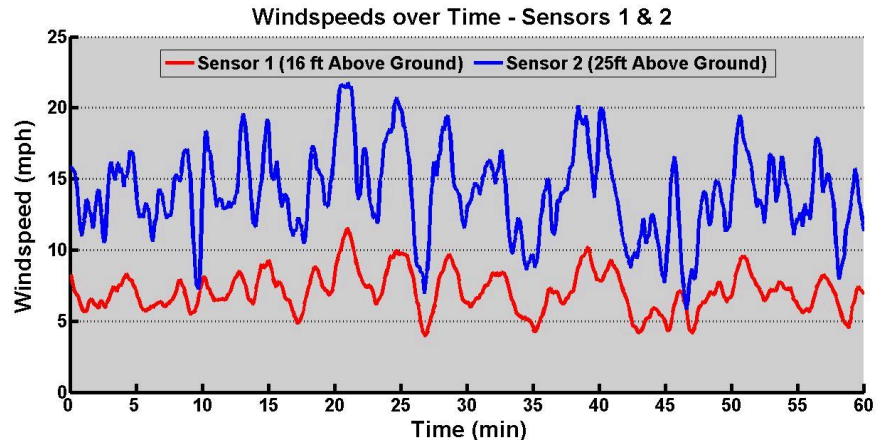


**Numerous rotating machinery
test rigs**

Engineering Challenges



Enercon E-126
Germany 2008
6 MW - 127 m diameter
131 m tower



- 1. Mega-structures**
- 2. Varying wind loads**
- 3. Energy systems**



Coal plants
Hydro plants
Nuclear plants

Reliability & Maintenance (2¢/kWh)



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Lifecycle costs

Equipment costs are usually only 5-10% of the lifecycle cost (service and maintenance costs)

(1) Quality control

Durability testing and factory and field inspections to ensure quality.

(2) Maintenance on demand

Unscheduled maintenance is 500% more costly than scheduled service.

(3) Autonomic logistics and control

Order parts ahead of time to maximize uptime while continuing to produce power with advanced controls.

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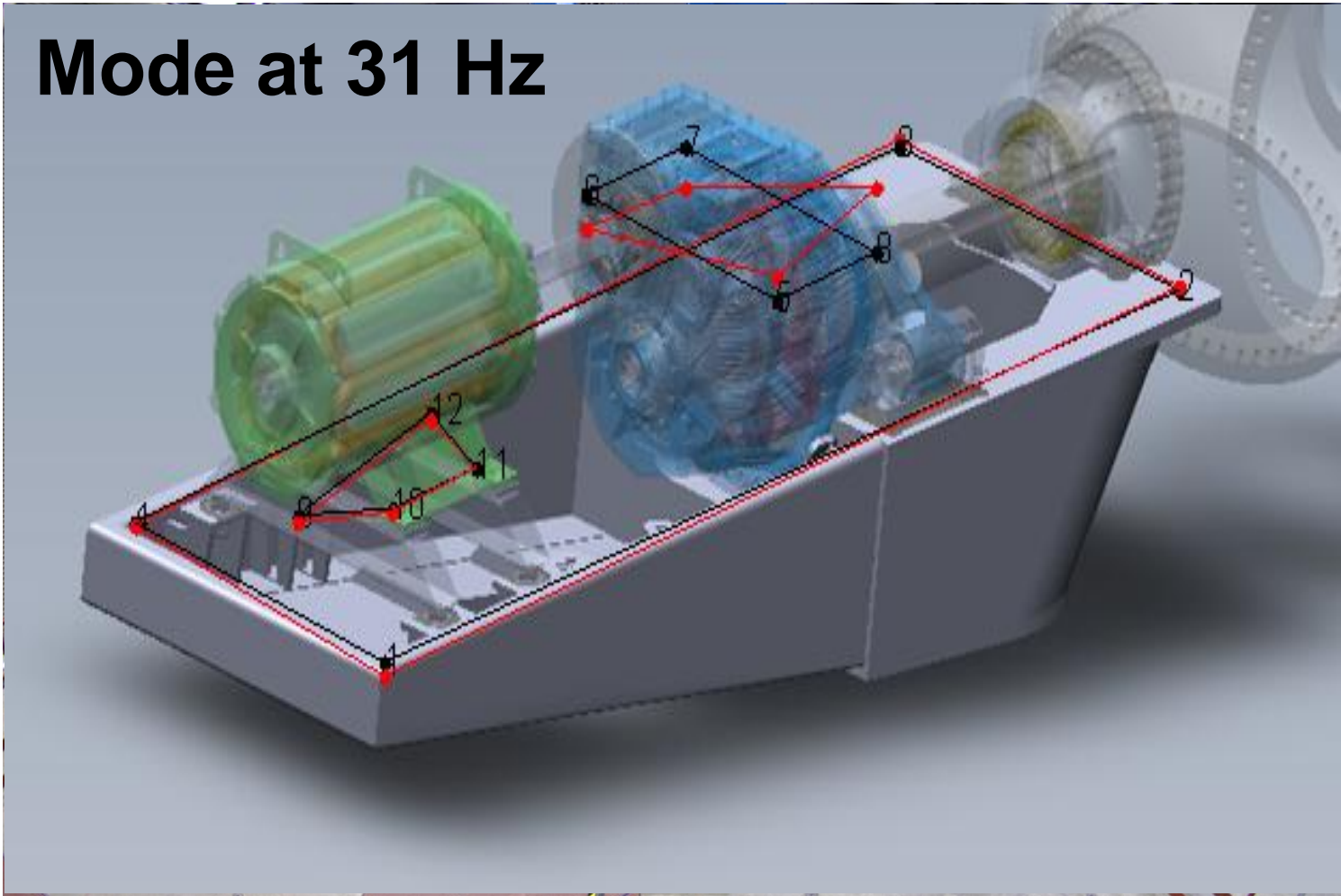
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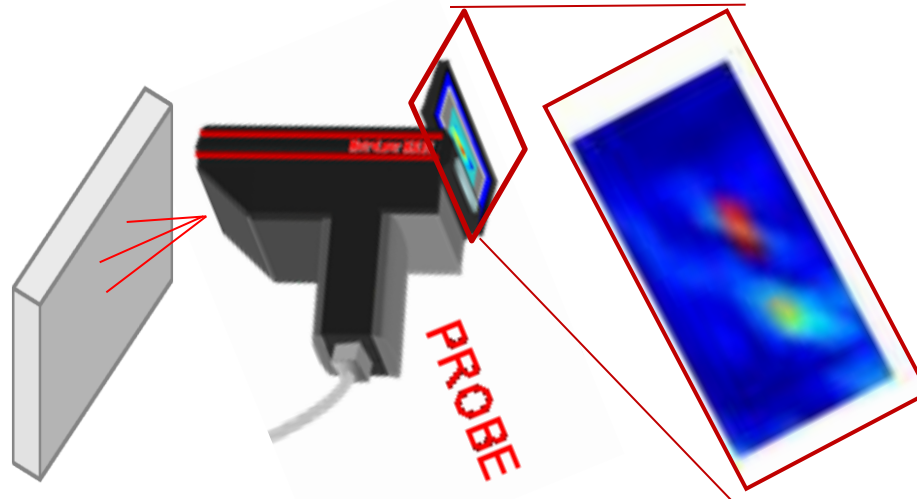
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Mode at 31 Hz



**750 kW gearbox drivetrain tested
at NREL Wind Technology Center**

Blade Inspection (Quality Assurance)



Courtesy Dr. V. Markov (Metrolaser, Inc.)

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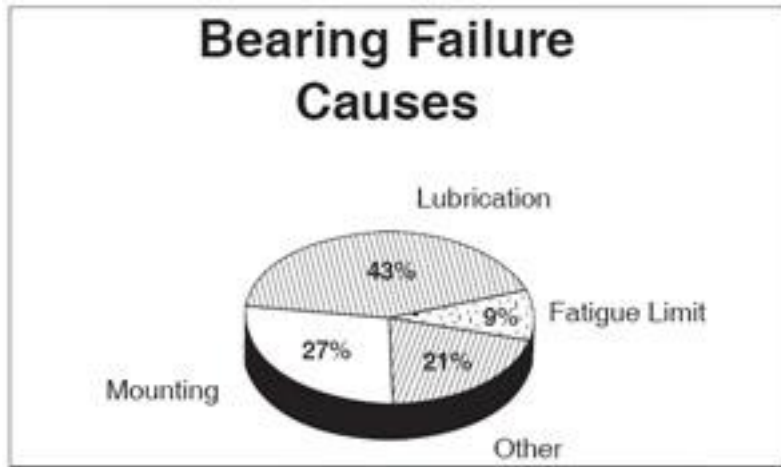
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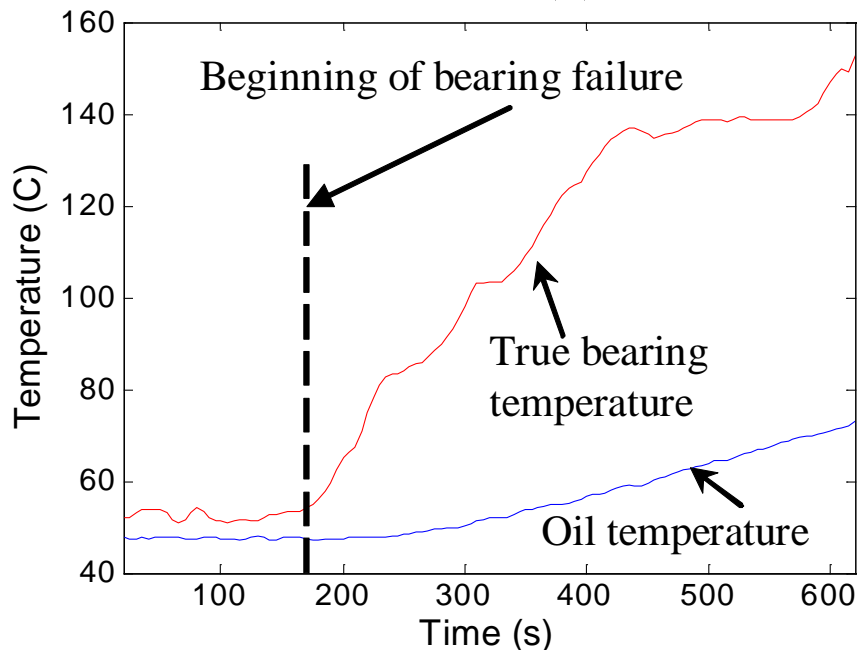
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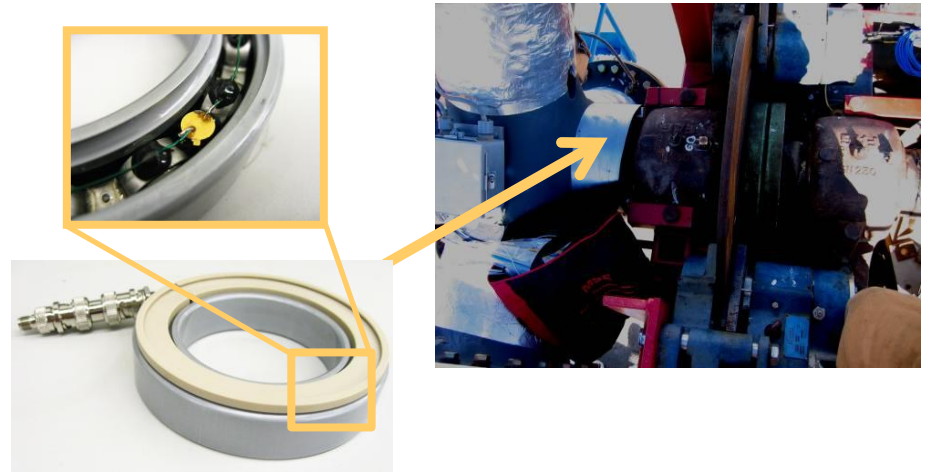
Diagnostic Sensing (Maintenance)



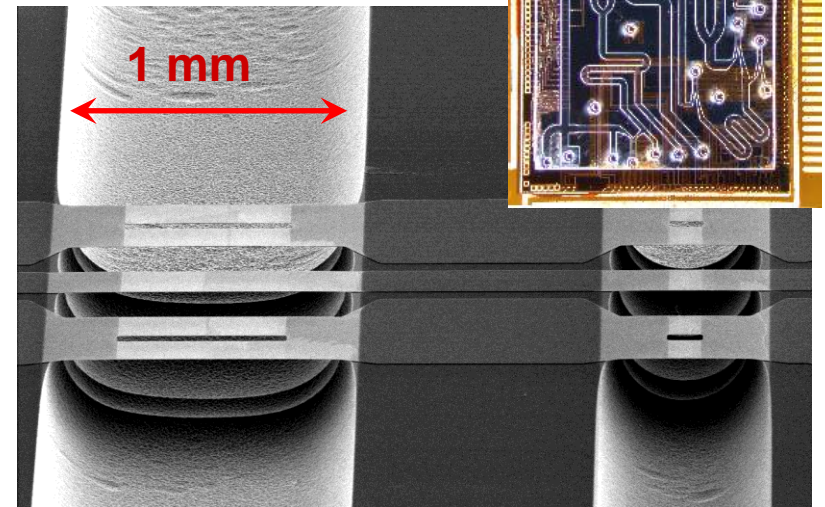
Courtesy powertransmissions.com



MEMS temperature telemeter (Sadeghi)



Lube lab on a chip



Peroulis et al., 2001

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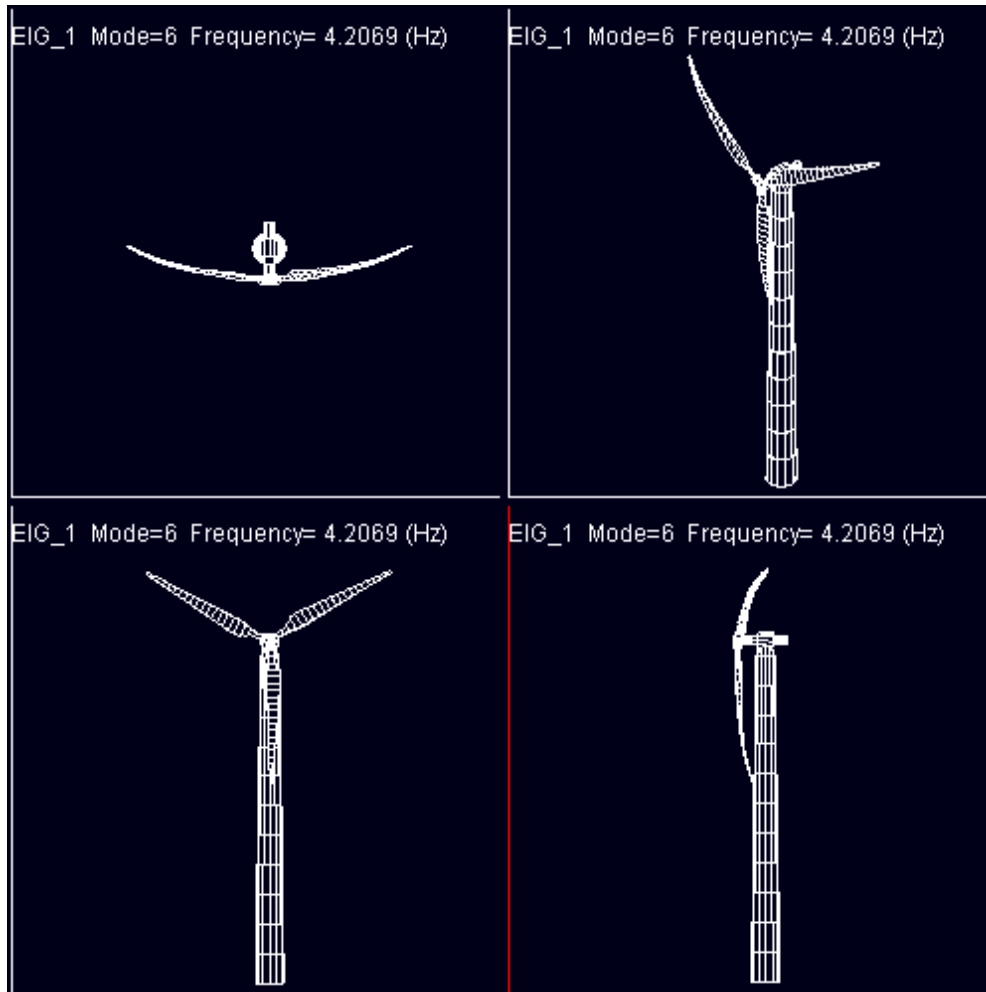
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Turbine Dynamics (Control)

Turbine modeling (all modes within 8%)

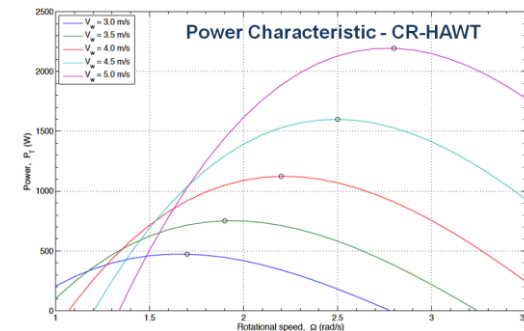
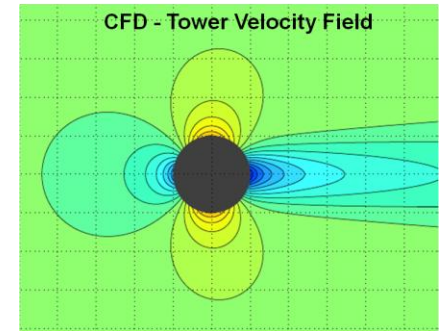


Rotor monitoring (Soriano Inc., partner)



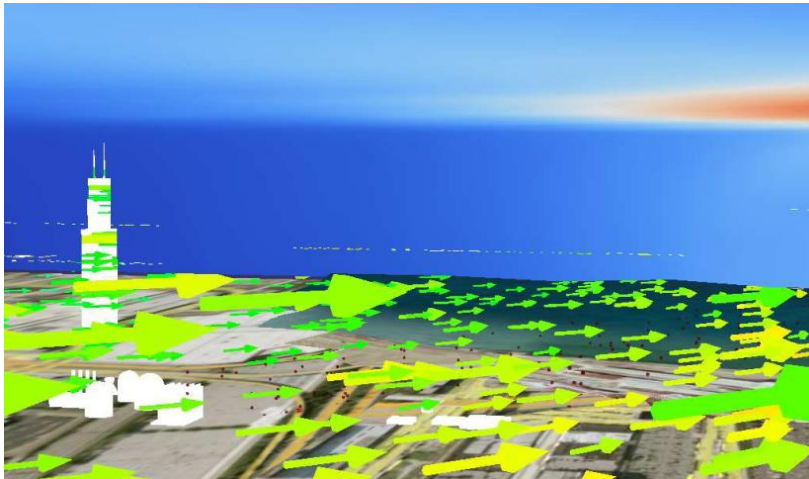
Aerodynamics (Performance)

- Wind Resource - Purdue ASREC Facility
 - 50-m met tower data being analyzed
- Tower-Rotor Interaction Analysis (Fleeter)
 - Discrete Tones, Power, Fatigue
- Wind Farm Performance Optimization
 - Wind Farm - Atmospheric Boundary Layer Interaction Modeling
 - Purdue Micro-Wind Farm
 - Turbine-Turbine Interactions & Control
- Small - Urban Wind Turbines
 - Actuator Disk Theory
 - Single Rotor – $C_{p-max} = 59.3\%$ (Betz limit)
 - Dual Rotor (VAWT) - $C_{p-max} = 64.0\%$
 - Counter-Rotating Wind Turbine - $C_{p-max} = 84\%$
 - VAWT - WL & Calumet

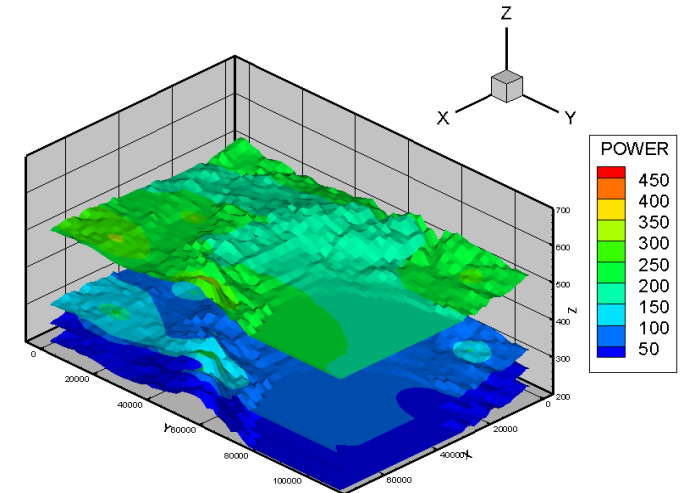
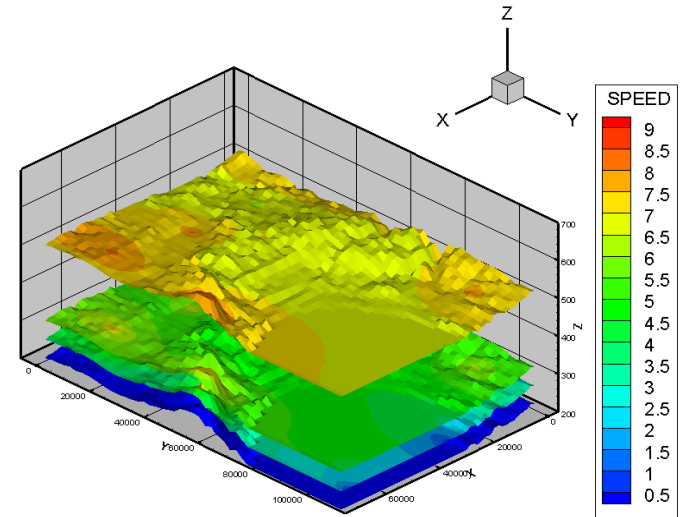


3D Sim & Visualization (Siting)

- **Team:** Constantin Apostoaia, Chenn Zhou, Xiuling Wang, Dave Kozel
- **Research projects:**
 - ❖ Constructing 3-D wind field for rural and urban wind farms.
 - ❖ Computational Fluid Dynamics simulation of wind turbines.
 - ❖ Virtual reality visualization.



Wind field of northwest Indiana



Wind velocity and power density maps in North Western Indiana

Education and Training



Selection and siting of Bergey HAWT in Design Course



Design of rooftop VAWT

Wind Turbine Certificate Program

Group of courses from among set including “Intro to Wind Energy,” “Benefit-Cost Analysis,” “WT Dynamics and Control,” etc.

VAWTs for Urban Wind Farms

Installing VAWTs at Calumet and West Lafayette campuses to provide test beds for student projects.

Testbeds for Education and Learning

Setting up portable HAWT for use by Purdue-IUB students, and working with Taylor University to study new HAWTs.

Internships

NREL & Sandia internships.

Conclusions

Purdue is aiming for relevance & technology transfer to industry:

Partnership
Transfer

Access
Relevance

Foundation: Education & Training

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